I cannot stress enough the importance of making VRS a mandatory service that is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, with answer speeds that parallel those for traditional text-to-voice relay services.

I am asking the FCC NOT to cut the VRS rate. IF the FCC do cut the rate, that would cut my ability to communicate with people who can hear. The FCC will out us, Deaf and Hard of Hearing, further away from the community who can hear.

Once again, please have the FCC to fully restore VRS funding to make VRS available around the clock, without limitations.

Thank you!

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